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August 26, 2005

Dennis Stowell Silica Sand Company, Inc. 285 West 200 North P.O. Box 796 Parowan, Utah 84761

Subject: Second Notice - Delinquent Permit Fees - Further Mining is Suspended

Dear Mr. Stowell:

The Division has not received the annual permit fee payment(s) for the 2005 fiscal year, which were due on or before July 29, 2005 (see R647-2-101.6, R647-3-1-1.7, and R647-4-101.5). Non-payment of permit fees is a violation of the Minerals Regulatory Program and suspends an operator's authorization to conduct exploration or mining operations. **YOUR**AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT EXPLORATION OR MINING ACTIVITIES IS

SUSPENDED, UNTIL THIS BILLING REQUIREMENT IS RESOLVED. Permit fees are required until the site has been fully released in writing by the Division.

We have enclosed a "Delinquency Notice" billing statement along with this letter. Please return the bottom portion of your billing statement to ensure the payment is posted to the correct account. Operations may resume upon our receipt of the required fees. If you have already sent in your payment, please accept our thanks and disregard this notice.

The Division will allow you until September 9, 2005 to pay the delinquent permit fees before issuing a Notice of Violation for non-payment, which will carry a fine and penalty. Continuing mining activities before the fee is paid will result in a Cessation Order which carries a separate fine and penalty. Please be advised that fines and penalties are assessed for each separate violation.

We hope to avoid taking any enforcement action regarding the fee payments. Please: 1) submit your payment by September 9, 2005; 2) check the box, if the site is fully reclaimed and revegetated, thereby requesting a site inspection to close the file; or 3) contact me immediately at (801) 538-5358 or Joelle Burns at (801) 538-5291.

Sincerely,

Susan M. White

Mining Program Coordinator Minerals Regulatory Program

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Enclosure: Delinquency Notice

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